

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/852,336

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to December 31, 2007 from the Notice Of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed October 29, 2007. The Petition filing fee of \$60.00 for a small entity and a response are included.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge Deposit Account No. 19-3140.

Respectfully submitted,

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